

Application Number 10/631,186
Amendment dated June 3, 2004
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REMARKS

Claims 4, 6 and 11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. The claims have been amended such that it is believed that the rejections are overcome. Reconsideration of the rejections is respectfully requested.

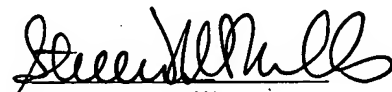
Claim 14 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Wang (U.S. Patent Number 6,541,324). The claim is canceled. Accordingly, it is believed that the rejection is overcome, and reconsideration is requested.

Claims 1-14 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-19 of Kim, et al. (U.S. Patent Number 6,524,915), in view of Wang. In response to the rejection, the applicants are filing herewith a Terminal Disclaimer which disclaims the term of any patent granted on the present application that would extend beyond the expiration date of the Kim, et al. patent. Accordingly, it is believed that the rejections are overcome, and reconsideration of the rejections of claims 1-14 under obviousness-type double patenting is respectfully requested.

In view of the amendments to the claims and the foregoing remarks, it is believed that all claims pending in the application are in condition for allowance, and such allowance is respectfully solicited. If a telephone conference will expedite prosecution of the application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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